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PETITION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED PRIORITY CLAIM

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In response to the Communication mailed October 8, 2003 from the PCT Legal Office, Applicants respectfully request the following Petition for Acceptance be granted.

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REMARKS

1. Applicants hereby claim priority for the above-referenced application under 35 U.S.C. § 365 to PCT/EP00/02839 which was filed on March 30, 2000 and which claims priority to DE 199 15 105.9 filed on April 1, 1999.

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2. A certified copy of the priority document is enclosed.

- 3. Applicants hereby Petition for Acceptance of the foregoing Unintentionally Delayed Priority Claim pursuant to MPEP 201.14 (a)(R-1).
- 4. The Petition fee of \$1300.00 under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(t) is enclosed.
- 5. The entire delay in filing between the date the claim was due and the date the claim was filed was unintentional.

CONCLUSION

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is authorized to charge any additional fees incurred as a result of the filing hereof or credit any overpayment to our deposit account #19-0120.

Respectfully submitted, LUTHJE, Holger et al.

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